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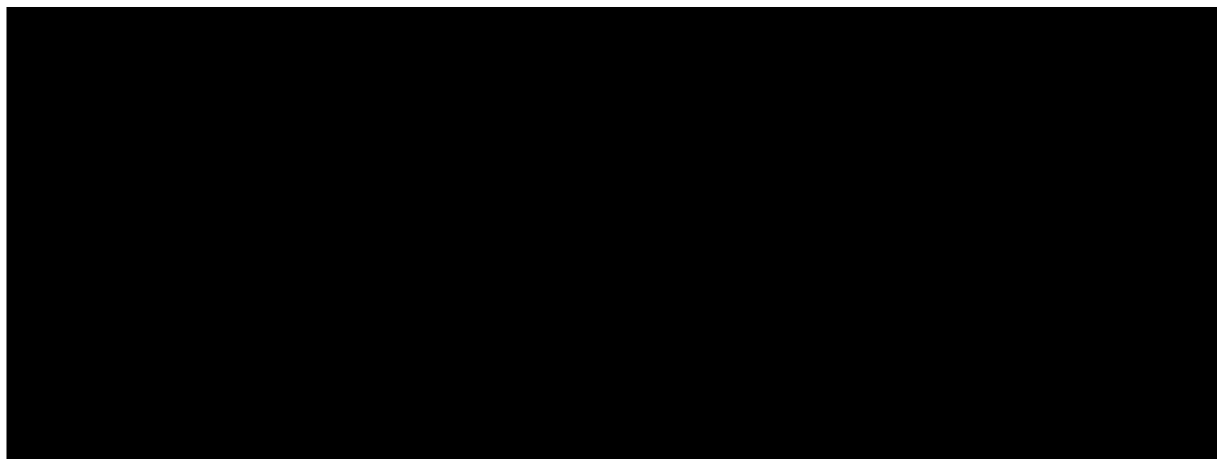
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1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning, the Director said that he was seriously concerned about the future of this Agency insofar as our budget and personnel strength were concerned. (He spent the weekend with Mr. Gilpatric, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and I gather that this concern which he had mentioned before was greatly intensified as a result of his discussions with Gilpatric.) He said that the Department of Defense was going to reach its peak in Fiscal Year 1965 but that after that they would reduce. The Director asked that appropriate officials of the Agency have serious talks with the Bureau of the Budget about this over-all situation and that we look with a very critical eye at all of the activities of this Agency to decide what we are doing for ourselves and what we may be doing for others. He felt strongly that we will have to hold the line or even reduce. He specifically mentioned our communications system and said that he thought we may have bought something that we want to sell or give away. Immediately after the meeting I conferred with  at some length and asked them to start immediately an analysis of our entire program and identify as accurately as possible those activities which we are carrying on in the interest of CIA as opposed to those we may be doing for someone else. What will come out of this I don't know, but it would appear that we want to give some second thoughts to our participation in the National Communications System, implementation of the Orrick Committee recommendations, the national interest intercept program, etc.

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3. I stopped by Alcott Hall to look at the badge machine which Security has been trying to develop. This prototype still seems to me to be a little clumsy and not nearly fast enough to be used on a wholesale basis. It requires the

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insertion of one's badge in a slot and the punching of three digits on a keyboard to admit the employee. I was told by [REDACTED] that they had tried it out 25X1A9a in the Office of Special Activities and that the average time per employee was about eight seconds. If this is so, it means that each machine will process only seven people a minute. It becomes obvious that unless you had a very large number of machines you could not handle all the rush-hour traffic. I think this needs further development before we try to go into it on a wholesale basis. However, it might well have a limited application at this time in highly sensitive areas and might eliminate a guard post here and there.

4. Jack Earman telephoned to say that, in connection with his personnel security audit, he wanted to talk to some of the DD/S Office Heads, the Chiefs of Support, and perhaps other supervisors to get a better feel of just how well we do know our people, how well we check up on their activities, etc. I told him that we would welcome this and that I would lay the groundwork at my staff meeting on Wednesday, 2 October.

5. I have asked Jim Garrison to give some consideration to the possibility of building a small industrial-type building somewhere out here to accommodate our printing and reproduction plant, this with the idea that it could be done for something less than the \$1.7 million we have left over in the Langley building construction fund. H

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6. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning, Jack Ledford gave a brief rundown on his visit to the [REDACTED] " He was highly complimentary of our supply system there and of the construction program. He said that [REDACTED] 25X1A9a [REDACTED] was doing an outstanding job.

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7. I lunched with Shef Edwards and talked with him about the propriety of sending his announcement of the organization of Sheffield Edwards Associates to CIA contractors, as well as saying in a brochure which he is going to have made that he had been the Director of Security of the Central Intelligence Agency. I told him that I could see no objection to either of these actions but that I would check this out and be in touch with him in a day or two.

8. I had a long discussion again today with John Tietjen about the [REDACTED] 25X1A2d program in TSD. He seemed determined to pursue this matter, and I can't say that I know exactly why. I think I persuaded him, however, that nothing would be accomplished by going back to [REDACTED] or Dick Helms. There are two other ways in which something might come of this:

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a. One would be through the Inspector General's report. I think that Jack Earman will, as a minimum, recommend that a study of this problem be made by the Deputy Director (Support) and the Deputy Director (Plans) and that specific recommendations be submitted.

b. Another way would be through the survey which I have long tried to get John started on of the Agency's need for psychological services.

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